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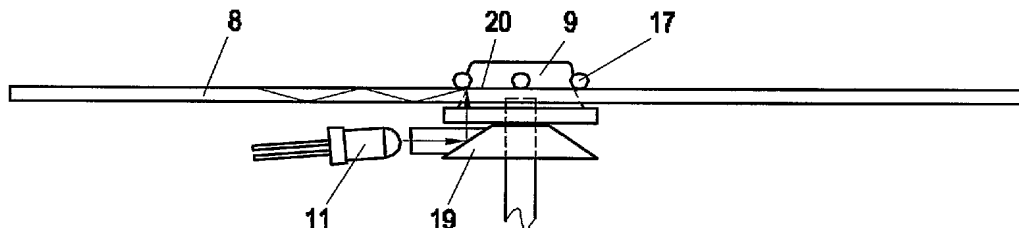
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(57) Abstract: In a method of and a device for ascertaining due presence of a disc-shaped data carrier (8), for example a CD or DVD, in a playback unit (1), it is provided that use is made of a data carrier (8) having a transmission path which starts at a first boundary surface of the data carrier (8) and passes through the data carrier (8) and ends at a second boundary surface of the data carrier (8), which transmission path is transparent to a test beam, and wherein an optical test beam is provided, and wherein the test beam is passed through the data carrier (8) using the transmission path when the data carrier (8) is present in the nominal position, and wherein the test beam passed through the data carrier (8) using the transmission path is detected.

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